

SOME NEW HAWAIIAN VERSE

ROLLING DOWN TO OAHU.

Once more with a pleasant westerly gale
We are bounding over the main,
And soon the hills of the Sandwich Isles
We'll gaze upon again.
Nine sluggish moons have waxed and waned,
Since from their shores we flew;
But now we are bound from heathen ground,
Rolling down to O-a-hu.

We have left behind men and women true,
To teach the heathen light,
That they might be co-heirs with Christ
And victors in the fight.
With a Nor'wester on our weather beam,
Our lee bow a boiling brew,
It seems the blast, as it whistled past,
Brought tidings of Oahu.

Oh! great are the cares and toil combined
We sailors undergo.
What care we, though, how cold it may be
Or how the blasts may blow;
For "homeward bound" is a jovial sound,
That of course we all well knew;
'And we'll think of that while we laugh and chat
With loved ones in O-a-hu.

In labors done 'neath a boiling sun,
Old "Morning Star" rolls away,
Or sleeping near some reef-bound coast,
The quiet of Kusaie Bay.
We toiled away, for many a day,
Midst scenes of heavenly hue;
But as we toiled, we laughed and sang
Of the girls in O-a-hu.

Oh! many a gale of wind we braved,
And bitter island squalls;
Our spars were bent and canvas rent,
Which made the "old man" bawl.
We toiled for months midst rock and shoals,
That decks Micronesia through,
But now they are many a league astern,
As we steer for O-a-hu.

Then welcome, ye seas, where the fragrant breeze
Is laden with odors rare,
Where gentle glades and sunny meads,
Are lovely, kind and fair.
Where even now bright eyes look forth
In hope each day to view
Our snow-white sail before the gale,
Rolling back to O-a-hu.

(Composed on missionary packet Morning Star, in lat. 34:40 N.,
long. 178:18 E. Poem that won the prize, by H. PINAO.

MARY, YOU MADCAP.

Mary, you Madcap, happy and free,
Dancing and skipping and romping in glee,
Your tops and your marbles the height of your joy,
Full of fighting and fun as a sturdy-limbed boy,
A frolicsome sparrow, a lark in the air!
Oh, your bubbling mirth is beyond all compare.

Mary, you Madcap, every day
I listen to all the quaint things which you say;
With your "Dat fella speak," "this fella bin see,"
Or "dat fella think he more smarter than me;
But I never 'fraid for dat ting he bin tell."
And the "fellas" are Lucy and Susie and Belle!

Mary, you Madcap, great is your wealth:
Beauty and sprightliness, freedom and health;
To liveliest laughter so easily stirred,
As ready to sing as the merriest bird,
So sweetly impromptu in all that you do;
Oh, Mary you Madcap, who wouldn't be you!

P. MAURICE McMAHON.

Honolulu, H. T.

THE BYSTANDER

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county supervisors are prospecting for new revenue diggings. Yes, they are said to have even already struck a fairly rich lode. This is on a claim long ago staked out and continuously worked by the holders, but the title being one of suzerainty passes with a change of landlords. The supervisors have "got a line on" certain free privileges that have been somewhat promiscuously dispensed. They are in the water and the electric light service. Uncle Sam himself is one of the objects of the Territory's bounty in one or both of these respects. The Army and Navy have been served with free water and probably electric light to some extent. There is no dubiety in the minds of the supervisors about the County's taking over the government electric lighting plant as well as the water works on which that is dependent for power. When the transfer has been made, the County may charge even the Territory for water and light supplied to Territorial departments. The N. C. H. Officers' Club, it is said, will have an account for lights opened in the County ledger and another for water—if it uses any appreciable quantity of that element. That is, providing the club has a home left to be watered and lighted; for has not the financial weather bureau predicted a disturbance about January 1 which will send the gallant clubmen hiking for the cyclone cellar?

I see that our best hotels are all in the scheme to have music at meals. Now I like music as well as the next man but at table I want a fair chance to talk with my friends undisturbed by a din of instrumental and vocal outpourings. Yes, "din" is the word. No hotel dining room in town is big enough to give orchestral music a chance to sound harmonious. One of the best diners I ever sat down to was in the beautiful dining room of a beach hotel but it was spoiled to me by a near-by quintette which, about every ten minutes, precipitated an avalanche of noise on the diners. One was about to make a remark or hear one made when bang! came the crash of that orchestra was out in the back yard. I paid the \$1.50 which the dinner cost with the thought that I ought to charge \$1.25 for wear and tear on my voice and nerves, but a cold look in the clerk's eye kept me from it. Then again, whatever such a charge might have seemed to him I had a suspicion that it was too small from my standpoint; but rather than engage experts to test the damage done to my system, I let the matter go and thereafter ate somewhere else.

COMMERCIAL

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The Union Oil Co. keeps a supply of 150,000 barrels of oil on hand all the time in its oil tanks in Iwilei. This is required in the contracts made with the plantations using oil, the planters insisting that the supply on hand be never less than enough to keep every mill and pumping plant running for three months, so as not to be dependent upon the caprices of sea and storm. If the amount of oil used each month is increased, there will be necessity also for increasing the storage capacity of the company. The oil is now shipped to the Oahu plantations, by means of tank cars on the Oahu railway, although there has been some talk lately of putting up a storage tank at Pearl Harbor for the use of Ewa plantation. This proposition is not likely to be carried through for a good many years to come. Oil is delivered on Maui from the oil ships direct.

Mr. Perkins said yesterday that the probabilities are against the use of oil on the other islands. On Hawaii there are one or two plantations which might use oil, but they would hardly take more than 10,000 barrels a month, which is not sufficient to pay for the establishment of a storage tank. On Kauai there is the same objection.

The results of the change to oil from coal, has been satisfactory wherever it has been tried. It has resulted in an even greater saving than was anticipated by the plantations when the changes were first discussed. Where it was believed that the plantations of oil would be needed to replace one ton of coal, it has been found four barrels of oil would be needed to replace one ton of coal, and three and that in some instances three and a half barrels did the work, and three and seven-tenths barrels, per ton of coal is about the average. Coal is now sold in Honolulu at \$1.50 per ton, which is accounted for in a lower in Honolulu than it has been for some time, which is accounted for in a great measure by the taking of the tariff from the foreign product. This is deterring smaller mercantile establishments from substituting oil for coal at the present time.

Ewa plantation made a partial change from coal to oil about two weeks ago, and by the first of the year all of her furnaces will be fitted with oil burning apparatus.

THE STOCK MARKET.

The stock market was without feature during the week. The largest sale reported was of Honokaa, 400 shares changing hands at \$13. The sale of eighty shares of Mutual Telephone at \$8 was also unusual, this being the first sale of this stock for months. The Mutual Telephone Co. is said to be in a prosperous condition at present, and will probably pay a dividend next year. The improvements made by the company have been finished and paid for. There is still a demand for the telephone stock at eight dollars per share. Ewa still sells at par, the sales last week at that price being of thirty-five

OPEN AIR TREATMENT FOR TUBERCULOSIS IN HAWAII

The open air treatment as a cure for consumption is being tried with marked success in Honolulu. Tuberculosis, according to popular belief, is an incurable disease, but Supt. A. N. Sinclair, who is in charge of the recently established Leahi Hospital in Kaimuki, is authority for the statement, that a cure is possible in almost every case, and he has demonstrated this by turning out as cured half a dozen patients who were sent to the hospital as incurables.

Leahi Hospital is a semi-public institution and receives a subsidy annually from the government. The new hospital at Kaimuki has been running a little over a year now, having been established on its present scale through the liberality of Alexander Young and other generous citizens. Previous to that it was known as the "Victoria Hospital for Incurables," and is even now intended for the care of those who are believed to be incurables. But the name is a misnomer, for many of the patients sent there are discharged as cured after a course of treatment.

The open air treatment for consumption is a new thing, but it has been successful wherever tried in the United States and in Germany which is its home. It consists of living in the open air as much as possible and taking a regular course of exercise. Hawaii is best adapted for the treatment because it can be given the year round.

"The open air treatment as a cure for tuberculosis has been successful at Leahi Hospital," said Supt. Sinclair yesterday. "We have discharged at least half a dozen patients as cured, not only improved, but cured of the disease."

"The Knopf treatment provides that the patient should sleep in the open air and spend as much time in the sunlight as possible. We are using the treatment on a modified scale. The air at Leahi Hospital is so pure and invigorating, and the building so well ventilated, that we find it unnecessary to sleep outdoors."

"We have cured half a dozen patients of tuberculosis and I believe the percentage would be much greater if the sick came to us before they had reached the last stages of the disease. There would be no difficulty in curing all that came, if they would only come to us in time and not wait until they are past redemption."

"People have come to the islands with severe cases of tuberculosis and been cured, and others have had only a slight attack on coming here and gone all to pieces. As far as the climate goes, one thing or the other is likely to happen."

"The natives are the ones who are most afflicted with tuberculosis and while they can be cured by coming to the hospital they go right back to their unsanitary surroundings as soon as they leave us. The chances are that

some one in the little room, where half a dozen natives live together, has tuberculosis and he communicates it again to the discharged patient. At the hospital there is less danger of infection than anywhere else. The "no expectoration" rule is rigidly enforced and each patient has a modified form of the Knopf spit cup. What should be done after we discharge a patient is to send him to a place of high elevation where the air is rarified, and where the cells of the lungs which he don't use, may be again brought into use.

"The consensus of medical opinion now is that tuberculosis is curable, if treated in an early enough stage. The open air treatment is good as far as it goes, but here with the native who is susceptible to colds, it is likely to lead to inflammation. But it has been successful for all that. We give the patient plenty of fresh air and those that are strong enough take the regular calisthenic exercises. The exercise is too much for some of them, they have no breathing capacity and no lungs to speak of. We try it on all who are able though, and those who can't stand the calisthenics are given exercise in walking. We have thirty-three patients in the hospital now, eleven of whom have tuberculosis. We cured six, out of probably twenty-four cases, which were treated. They were not half cured, they were sent out of the hospital absolutely sound as far as tuberculosis is concerned. The bacilli had disappeared entirely from the sputum and the process in the lungs was at a standstill. But I don't believe that it will ever do the Hawaiians much good, if they go back to the old conditions—living in unsanitary places, eating pol from the same calabash and 'slobbering' over those who may have the disease."

TODAY'S CONCERT.

Band Will Play This Afternoon at 3 O'clock in Capitol Grounds.

PART I.

"The Old Hundred."
Overture: "The Road to Glory." Kilg
Toreador Song: "Carmen"Blizet
Selection: "The Seasons" (new) Haydn
Vocal: "Two new Choruses" arr. by

PART II.

Vocal: "Four Hawaiian Songs" arr. by.....Berger
Selection: "My old Kentucky Home"Dalbey
Chorus: "Tannhauser"Wagner
Finale: "Alagazam" (new)Holzman
"The Star Spangled Banner."
The band will play this Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the football game.

H. E. Beasley was arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn to by Frederick A. Ward, a jeweller, in which he is charged with embezzlement. Beasley is said to have disposed of about \$370 worth of jewelry and failed to turn the proceeds over to the jeweler who had supplied the merchandise to be sold on commission.

FENG-SHUI, OR THE RUDIMENTS OF NATURAL SCIENCE IN CHINA.

"When purchasing a site, when building a house, when pulling down a wall or raising a flagstaff, residents in the Treaty Ports have encountered innumerable difficulties; and all on account of Feng-shui. When it was proposed to erect a few telegraph poles, when the construction of a railway was urged upon the Chinese Government, when a mere tramway was suggested to utilize the coal mines of the interior, Chinese officials would invariably make a polite bow and declare the thing impossible on account of Feng-shui. When, thirty years ago, the leading merchants of the colony of Hongkong endeavored to place the business part of the town in the so-called Happy Valley and to make that part of the island the center of the whole town, they ignominiously failed on account of Feng-shui. When the Hongkong Government cut a road now known as the Gap, to Happy Valley, the Chinese community was thrown into a state of abject terror and fright, on account of the disturbance which this amputation of the dragon's limbs would cause to the Feng-shui of Hongkong; and when many of the engineers employed in the cutting died of Hongkong fever and the foreign houses already built in the Happy Valley had to be deserted on account of malaria, the Chinese triumphantly declared it was an act of retributive justice on the part of Feng-shui. When Senhor Amorim, the Governor of Macao, who combined with a great passion for constructing roads an unlimited contempt for Feng-shui, interfered with the situation and aspects of Chinese tombs, he was waylaid by Chinese, his head cut off, and the Chinese called this dastardly deed the revenge of Feng-shui. Merchants asked their compradores and house-boys the meaning of Feng-shui. The replies they got were rather obscure and confused, and at best they were told that Feng-shui means "wind and water," and is so called because it is a thing which you cannot comprehend, and like water you cannot grasp. Hence when millions were dying in Central China on the Upper Yellow river, the Chinese Government could not make use of the liberal contributions of the foreigners because there were not even good roads for the sore-backed horses and slow-pacing bullocks to carry the bags of rice for the relief of the dying millions. All on account of Feng-shui. Shall we be like the poor Chinese, or like the wiser Egyptians who have submitted to the English idea of having a railroad from Cairo to Capetown?

shares, in five and ten share lots. The buyers now appear to be men of small means seeking investments. There were also a few sales of O. R. & L., thirty-eight shares changing hands at \$85.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The million dollar bond money is expected to arrive in Honolulu between the last of this month and the sixth day of January. The money will be placed to the credit of the treasurer in New York within a few days. The annual report of the Oahu Sugar Co. has been issued. There has been no meeting of the Moana Hotel bondholders as yet. The bondholders seem disposed to let Mr. Peacock, who owns both a majority of the bonds and the stock, conduct the hotel as is now being done. As the heaviest bondholder Mr. Peacock's claims would have first to be satisfied if any action was brought by the smaller bondholders. The year's taxes have all been paid now. Oahu's collections for the month of November amounted to \$710,452.10, just \$10,000 more than the collections for the same month of last year. The holiday season is fairly opened and merchants believe that the Christmas trade will be good. The streets have been crowded for the last few days with shoppers and this week and next will see a brisk close of the holiday season. The presence of the Asiatic fleet with three thousand men in port during the holiday season is expected to help business considerably. Brewer & Co. will hold a meeting next month to fix the next quarterly dividend. There are not enough directors here now for a meeting, only three being in the city.

The Rapid Transit Co. has put down its track on Nuuanu street to the mausoleum and yesterday began work on the Beretania street extension to Punahou.



THE DRAMA

The cleverly drawn scenes and humorous situations of the "Cowboy and the Lady," presented last night by the Neills, kept the audience in a constant laugh and the bill will take its place as one of the hits of the season. The players presented a picturesque series of cowboy and frontier scenes, stetson hats, six shooters, quirts, chaperajos, and all. The "naughty, naughty language" of "Teddy North" (Mr. Neill) was accepted as good local color if somewhat vivid, though one wondered if he had placed the foundation of his "cuss word" verbosity during his years at Harvard and also why the usual assurance of a college graduate where the fair sex is concerned should have been replaced by an enduring bashfulness in a year or two of the ranch.

These idiosyncrasies, however, are due to the author and not the actor, and Neill, as a hero of the spur and quirt, was most acceptable. Miss Chapman as the outraged wife portrayed cleverly the recklessness of an amused yet beautiful and good woman, handling a difficult role with her usual artistic instinct. Miss Kellar was delicious as Midge and Lillian Andrews as Miss Prissims, with a fearful and wonderful makeup, took the comedy of the play under her own especial supervision. Burton of course was excellent as "Joe," the cowboy, while Bowles, Lewis and indeed the whole cast seemed well suited in their roles.

JAMES NEILL AS THE LITTLE MINISTER

Among the plays that of late years have commanded instantaneous and lasting success are many which have been dramatized from a popular novel, generally however by some one other than the original author, often to the detriment of the real sentiment of the book.

When J. M. Barrie of "A Window In Thrums" fame determined to invade the limits of dramatic art however he, equipped with a perfect knowledge of stage craft, combined the functions of both author and dramatist and achieved a brilliant success in the "Little Minister." Maude Adams, it will be remembered, made a continental hit in the role of Babbie, the wayward, wilful girl, being practically the creator of the part.

The "Little Minister" is to be presented on Tuesday evening by the Neill company with James Neill as Gavin Dishart, the Little Minister, and Edythe Chapman as Babbie. The story of the piece, through which runs a delightful thread of romance, deals with the strike of weavers in the little township of Thrums. The "Little Minister" sympathizes with the strikers but objects to their method of arbitration. Of how he becomes embroiled in their doings and how wilful Lady Babbie disguises herself as a gypsy and wins the heart of the "Little Minister" and how the romance winds out to a happy ending the players will tell on Tuesday. A rich scenic equipment characteristic of Scotia's banks and braes with Robert Morris's close attention to local color and detail, so noticeable a feature of Neill performances, will round out the presentation. The time of the play is 1830.

"Say, pa," queried little Billy Bloomer, "what's an echo?" "An echo, my son," replied the old man, with a sigh long drawn out, "is the only thing that can flim-flam a woman out of the last word."—The Lyre.

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